

Remarks

A Substitute Specification with new Abstract and with revised formatting is submitted. The Substitute Specification is in closer conformity with the invention as is recited in the claims. While limitations of a patent specification are not to be imported in the claims, applicants wish to further emphasize that limitations of a patent specification are not to be imported into the claims. Examiner will also note that applicants submit formal drawings to replace informal drawings filed with original application.

Applicants herewith also amend claims 1, 3, 10, 15, 26, 35, and 36 so that “decode circuit” is amended to read “decode and/or recognition circuit.” The noted claim amendment addresses an antecedent basis informality present in the claims (note that each amended claim recited “decode and/or recognition circuit” previously therein) and places the claims in the form clearly intended by the Office Action response of October 31, 2005 (“applicants broaden the ‘recognition circuit’ element of the claims to the broader term “decoding an/or recognition circuit,” response dated October 31, 2005).

None of the amendments presented herein contain new matter. Further, it is believed that none of the claim amendments alter the scope of the claims. In that it is believed that the claim amendments do not alter the claim scope it believed that the proposed amendment should not require an additional search and should not alter the stated position of the Examiner that the claims are allowable. The proposed amendments were not presented earlier since the review yielding the determination that the amendments would be desirable was not completed until after the close of prosecution.

Accordingly, in view of the above amendments and remarks, applicants believe all of the claims of the present application to be in condition for allowance and respectfully request reconsideration and passage to allowance of the application.

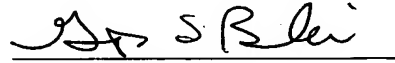
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